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in Braila; Viitorul Shipyard

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1. The Progresul Factory employs between 2,300 and 2,500 workers, and between 500 and 600 office employees. Wages of workers range from 19 to 30 lei per hour; the salaries of office employees range from 4,000 to 16,000 lei per month. The factory works twenty four hours in eight hour shifts.
2. The metal plates come from the Resita factories; the machines, spare parts, and tools from the factories (formerly Malaxa) in Bucharest and Stalin (formerly Brasov), and the timber from Moldavia.
3. Production:
 - a. About five railroad tank cars, with a capacity between 10 and 15 tons, are manufactured monthly.
 - b. Engines (200-250 horsepower) were installed in 20 tug-boats, called Salupe Granicaresti, by May 1950; these boats were destined for the Soviets. The hulls of the boats were built in the Viitorul Shipyard.
 - c. In the first six months of 1950 five steel freighters (1,000 tons each) were built for the Soviets, who ordered ten more which were to be completed by the end of 1950.
 - d. Forty to 45 steel towers, about 15 meters high, have been built for the Frontier Guards.
 - e. Forty earth drills for the oil fields of Prahova were built between August 1949, when the factory began making them, and November 1950. At the end of November 1950 arrangements were made to turn out four earth drills per month. The electric motors for the earth drills came from the I.A.R. Workshops of Stalin (formerly Brasov).
 - f. Since the beginning of 1950, the factory has been making metal water-pipes for the Cernavoda-Taseul Lake project. Each pipe had a length of five meters, a diameter of .30 meters and a thickness of four to five millimeters.

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4. The following are leading personalities directing the work in the Viitorul shipyard:

Director	:	Gheorghe Bunia	
Deputy Director	:	Constantin Daicu	
Technical Director	:	Velinsky, an engineer	
Chief of the Communist Party Bureau	:	Constantin Bratu	
Foundry	:	Siderakis Mikhalkakis, an engineer	
Machine Shop	:	Cicero Gorunescu, an engineer	
Boiler Room	:	Gheorghe Munteanu	
Accounting Section	:	Gheorghe Tartacuta	
Warehouses	:	Anastassios Mucuta	
Monthly Production	:	Alphonse Waisman, [redacted]	25X1
Economic Section	:	Ouser Cohn, [redacted]	
Commercial Section	:	J. Sabo, [redacted]	
Drafting Section	:	Eori, an engineer	
Production Section	:	Niculcea	
Building Superintendent	:	Pauleanu	
Supplies	:	Leopold Margulies, [redacted]	25X1
Plans	:	Gheorghe Pana	

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